## THE STATE CAPITAL.

Metropolitan Excise Law-The Tenure of Office Law and the Republicans.

ALBANY, Feb. 25, 1869. The present condition of the Metropolitan Excise law does not promise a very speedy settlement of the movement tending to its repeal or modification. In my despatch last night I gave the general points of the bills which are now occupying the attention of the committee, as illustrated by the language and arguments of the gentiemen who advocate certain modifications. Mr. Bliss made a brief argument in response tims morning, from which it is evident that the Board is not unprepared to admit such changes in the law as may be sufficient, for the present at least, for many of those who are most hostile to it in its present shape. A uniform and moderate price for license—say \$100 for all iliquor schiers, except hotel keepers, whose license shall be regulated according to the number of rooms, and permission to open at four occock in the morning—is talked of as one probable to meet the sanction of the committee. The termans, who represent their countrymen here before the committee, seem disposed to ask for modifications which are not very likely to be granted. For instance, they insist that the clause in their bill permitting fluor stores to open on Sundays shall stand. This is a modification which will not meet the good will of the Legislature. The feeling against Sunday traffic is still too strong. If the Germans persist in this measure they may spoil all the efforts of the friends of modification. It will be some time, however, before the bill comes out of the hands of the committee. There is a good deal more to be said about it yet.

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The republican temper of the House as it regards General Grant was pretty well shown to-day when the resolution was brought up requesting our representatives in Congress to do all in their power to repeal the law restricting the powers of the President, known as the Tenure of Office law. Nearly all the leading republicum members voted to lay it on the table except Mr. La Bau. It was laid over by a vote of fifty-four to forty-seven; but there was considerable dodging, many of the mombers not voting until the speaker limisted on it. The Speaker himself voted against the resolution. Are they afraid to trust Grant, or are they alarmed lest Andy Johnson may crown his last hours with some diabolical machinations?

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

### SENATE

ALBANY, Feb. 25, 1869. BILLS REPORTED.

incorporating the East Side Savings Bank of Roccesier; establishing the office of Receiver of Taxes in New Rochelle; providing for the payment of the Twenty-second regiment, National Guard; regulating the organization of savings institutions providing for the submission of the amended constitution to the electors of the State—the bill proposes to submit the constitution at the next general elec-

to submit the constitution at the next general election; amending the charter of the village of Fultonville; amending the charter of the international insurance Company; to amend the act authorizing the — Life insurance Company to make deposits of securities in the Insurance Department; also to provide receivers for said company.

By Mr. Hale—Authorizing certain railroad companies to hold real estate; also for the relief of canal contractors Joseph A. Scoville and Idewis H. Eaton. By Mr. Hubbard—Amendment to acts relating to moose, wild deer and other game.

By Mr. WILLIAMS—To exempt discharged soldiers and sailors from military service.

By Mr. Van Petten—To increase the powers of Commissioners of Excise and for other purposes.

By Mr. Crowley—In reference to juries in the District Court of New York—when both parties to an action are absent the judge may order a jury; also with reference to mortgages by corporations where property lies beyond the limits of the State.

By Mr. Norton—For a better protection of persons travelling in Fourth avenue.

By Mr. Norton—in relation to salaries and pay of officers, fremen and employes of the Metropolitan Pire Department. Firemen, privates, drivers and stokers to receive \$1,200 a year; engineers of steamers, \$1,300; assistant foremen, \$1,400; foremen, \$1,600; district engineers, \$2,300; assistant engineers, \$3,000; district engineers, \$3,000; superintendent of the fire alarm telegraph, \$2,500; telegraph operators, \$1,500; beit ringers and limemen, \$1,200; tolegraph batterymen, \$1,000—such pay to commence on the Metropolitan Police.

BILLS PASSED.

Authorizing the town of Balnbridge to nurchase

appointment of a President pro tempore of the Meropoittan Police.

BILLS PASSED.

Authorizing the town of Bainbridge to purchase the bridge over the Susquehanna river; authorizing the town of Greenville, Washington county, to elect an additional justice of the peace; amending the charter of the Syracuse and Fayetteville Railroad, fin relation to evidence in criminal cases facilitating trial of indictments; for the relief of the Bochester City and Brighton Bailroad Company; amending the act providing for the incorporation of life and health insurance companies; amending the act relative to supplying vacancies in the office of justice of the peace in the towns of the State; to amend the charter of the Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank; to amend the charter of the village of Fullowille; to provide for the drainage of lands in Richmond county. end county.

Mr. Husbard called up his resolution requesting our Congressmen to vote for the repeal of the Tenure of Office bill.

Mr. Mongan moved to amend that the Legislature is not opposed to the principle embodied in the law.

Lost—10 to 14.

Mr. KENNEDY moved to table the resolution.

Lost—6 to 14.

The resolution was discussed at length, favored by Messra. Hale, Nichols, Hubbard and Beach, and opposed by Messra. O'Donneil, Morgan, Kennedy and Parker.

Pending the question the Senate adjourned.

# ASSEMBLY

ALBANY, Feb. 25, 1869. BILLS ORDERED TO A THIRD READING. nd the charter of the vill bor; incorporating the village of Williamsville; in relation to evidence in criminal prosecutions, allow-ing criminals to testify in their own defence; for the relief of Gerrit Smith and his legal representative, Hamilton Murray, deceased; authorizing the state Engineer, Surveyor and Canal Commissioner to do certain work about the Albany basin and lock lead-

certain work about the Aibany basin and lock leading into the same.

SUBSEQUENTLY HAD A THIRD READING AND PASSED.

Providing for the construction of a road and bridge across Huntington harbor, Suffork county; confirming the organization of the Monticello and Port Jervis Railroad Company; repealing the act authorizing the Agricultural Society of Westchester county to lease or sell real estate; amending the act confirming the proceedings of the Supervisors of Montgomery county, relating to the support of the poor; in relation to draining swamp lands in Seneca county.

Seneca county.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Werd—To incorporate the Citizens' Mutual Gas Company of Auburn.

By Mr. EUTTERPIELD—Amending the act relative to bonding towns in Jenerson county for the Ulica and Black River Rainroad.

By Mr. Wheeler—Chartering the Stuyvesant Savings Sank.

ings Bank.
By Mr. L. E. SMITH-Incorporating the Dansville By Mr. B. E. Stark.
By Mr. O'KEEFE—Closing Flood's alley, Brooklyn.
By Mr. SUMMERS—Authorizing the construction of
a railroad from New Brighton to Onondaga Valley.
By Mr. GLEASON—incorporating the Ogdensburg Savings Bank.
By Mr. Jacons-Relative to justices of sessions in

ings county.

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By Mr. Mosalty—Rolative to savings cannot institutions.

By Mr. Davis—amending the charter of the Samaritan House for the Aged in New York.

By Mr. Huetren—To amend the law with reference to highway labor.

By Mr. C. Frimais—Enabling allens to hold and devise real estate in this state.

By Mr. Lawishnes—Incorporating the village of West Mount Vernon, Westehester county.

RESOLUTIONS.

A joint resolution was received from the Senate to adjourn from Friday, February 26, to March 8, at half-past seven o'clock P. M. The resolution was concurred in.

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Mr. Lawnence called up Mr. Jacobs' resolution requesting our Congressmen to vote for the repeal of the Tenure of Office out.

Mr. Husrao moved to lay it on the table. Carried. Recess thi evening.

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Incorporating the National Stock Insurance Combany of New York.

To confirm the official acts of the Supervisors of
New York and Westchester.

Authorizing the completion of Riverside avenue, at
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the laving out of Union avenue.

To amend the charter of Brooklyn in regard to the
fire limits of the city of Brooklyn.

To amend the act establishing a Capitol police.
To regulate the leasing of stands and stalls in the
public markets of New York.

To enable the New York Elevator Company to complete its organization.

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BILLS ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.
Continuing Fitth avenue, city of Brooklyn, to Atlantic avenue.
Conferring certain additional powers upon the University of the city of New York.
To amend the act establishing fire limits and for the more effectual prevention of fires in Brooklyn, passed in 1808.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. RAY moved a reconsideration of the vote taken yesterday on the resolution to reduce the toil on coal going from tide water, which was carried by a vote of 50 to 30.

Mr. Miller moved to amend, recommending the alteration of the tariff laws so as to admit coal used for domestic purposes free from duty, which was carried.

ried.
Mr. Jacobs moved that the Canal Board be rec mended to reduce the tolls on flour, wheat, corn rye going east.
Pending the resolution the House adjourned.

### CONNECTICUT.

New Haven.

Phayer for Colleges.—Yesterday was observed as a day of prayer for the colleges. At noon a Union prayer meeting, which was well attended, was held at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms, and services having reference to the object were conducted for an hour. In the evening appropriate services were held at the Third church. There were also meetings at the college in the morning and afternoon.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Tuesday evening, at Harmony Hall, a new lodge of the Order of the Knights of Pythias was organized with about forty members. The lodge is called Schiller Lodge, No. 4, and it is composed mostly of Germans. The following were elected Past Chancellors and Representatives of the Grand Lodge:—Colonel George A. Basserman, Louis Feldman, Paul Roessler and Maier Yunder. This order has increased very rapidly since the first lodge was instituted in this city. There are now five lodges in the county, lour of which are in the town of New Haven.

ITEMS.—Yesteriay the Republican Senatorial Con-vention for the Sixth district met in Hemingway's Hall, in Fair Haven, and nominated Mr. Samuel W. Dudley, of North Guilford, as a candidate for the

Dudiey, of North Guilford, as a candidate for the State Senate. Mr. Dudley was a member of the State House of Representatives in 1853, 1857, 1863 and 1865.

Eli S. Quintard, for twenty-one years the assistant superintendent of the New York and New Haven Railroad, has been appointed Superintendent of the Cincinnati, Sandusky and Columbus Railroad. A line of stages has just been established between New Haven an East Haven.

The United States District Court adjourned yesterday until the sth of March. During its three days session two cases were heard and six persons naturalized.

Westport.

BURGLARY,—On Tuesday night last the dwelling nouse of Major Burwell, in Westport, was entered by house of Major Burwell, in Westport, was entered by burgiars and pretty thoroughly overhanied. They gained an entrance by unlocking the front door, and collected a quantity of clothing and about fifty dollars in money. A part of the money was taken from the pocketbook of a son of Mr. Burwell who was sieeping in a bedroom on the first floor. The pocketbook was in his trowsers pocket, and the garments were within a few feet of the bed, so that the robbers must have come very close to him to get the plunder. Among the goods stolen were two valuable coats, and a large bundle of less valuable articles was found near the fence the next morning, where it had probably been dropped by the robbers, as too bulky, or liable to excite suspicion. No clue exists to the perpetrators of the robbery, but from all the circumstances it seems quite probable that they may be the same gang who operated so unsuccessfully in Bridgeport on Monday night last.

Pert Chester.

Port Chester. going home from Port Chester, was attacked on King street last Thursday by two Irishmen, who beat him and ran off with his team, a heavily loaded wagon. The team was rescued by Messrs. A. J. and W.E. Peck, and the scamps arrested and held to bail under \$500 each.

to be the oldest of the kind in the city, was cele-brated last night at Dodworth Hall, the President, Mr. J. J. Scally, presiding. The house was crowded, seats, standing room and all. There seemed to be a good deal of interest feit in the fortunes of the sogood deal of interest rate in the fortunes of the so-ciety, and that probably accounts for its annual longevity, on which its members pride themselves not a little. Organized the 14th of February, 1860, it has held a meeting on Saturday night of each week ever since. The present place of meeting is No. 32 Crosby street, where the members have a room offered them gratis, by the courtesy of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen. The programme last night and Tradesmen. The programme last night embraced the usual variety of essays, orations, recitations and music—vocal and instrumental—generally met with on such occasions. The exercises were opened with an overture, madejup of operatic selections, by Professor E. A. Hill, who played the plane exceedingly well. It would be doing no injuswere opened with an overture, madelup of operatic selections, by Professor E. A. Hill, who played the plane exceedingly well. It would be doing no injustice to the other performances to say that his playing was much the best part of the entertainment, as might have been expected, he being expert, the others being but tyros in the parts they undertook. After this introductory performance the President made a brief statement of the objects of the society, the degree of success it had attained, and concluded with an invitation to all young men who feit an interest in literary culture to join it. A bailad by Mr. W. McLean, which was the next thing in order, would have been more acceptable had the young man been a little better up in his part. J. H. Butter recited a poem entitled "Scott and the Veteran," which was tolerably well done, after he got over his initial monthings. Miss M. Haggerty sang a ballad, and was encored of course—all singers are, unless they break down in the first effort. "The New Rome" afforded Mr. A. L. Schwartz an opportunity for a historic parallel, which he drew between the Seven-Hilled City and America—the "New Rome," as he called it. It was an average schooloby performance. Sara Collins didn't sing a comic song "in character" as an nounced, but instead another young lady sang a pieasant enough ditty and was encored. Then followed Mr. L. E. O'Bryan, who presented the audience with an oration on intellectual culture. After another song by Miss Haggerty, then came a discussion of the question, "Is it beneficial for young men to engage in politics?" Mr. G. F. Langbein, in a haif hour speech by Mr. N. P. Mitchell. Both sides were discussed creditably. An oration on "Pence" by Mr. J. Mitchell, a humorous essay by Mr. H. T. Carrooi and a few more songs concluded the entertainment. The efforts of the members of the society, if not praiseworthy in themselves, were commendable in that they were attempts, and no mean ones either some of them, at a higher culture.

# VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

Protection to Americans in Cuba.

An "Ancient Mariner" writes us from Lancaster, Ohio, suggesting that in the present state of affairs in Cuba our government should at once despatch thither one of our formidable double-turretted monitors, which would be a match for the Spanish vessels and extort respect for American citizens by her presence alone, while our wooden vessels are only on sufferance in a semi-hostile port like Havana. The suggestion is proper at this time, and the authorities should make a note of it.

Our City Evening Schools. "A Lover of Learning" complains that the city evening schools are about to be closed. After prais-ing the good these schools have been the means of ing the good these schools have been the means of effecting he insists upon the necessity of keeping them open throughout the year, since they are capable of doing much good. A gentleman, says our correspondent remarked in one of our evening schools, in a speech he made the other day, that the certificates they were about to distribute to those only that attended regularly cost \$100.000, and "A Lover of Learning" very properly suggests why issue such costly certificates at all, as it would be much better to appropriate the money to keep the evening schools open?

. The Pare on City Railroads.

An anonymous correspondent, signing himself "One of the People," asserts it as a fact that, at a secret meeting of some geatlemen interested in Brooklyn city railroads, it had been agreed to raise a fund of half a million dollars, "so be used in securing the passage of an act by the Legislature to increase the fare on city railroads in New York and Brooklyn 'e eight cents for each passenger carried." Though barely possible that it may succeed it is still probable that the great, grasping spirit of the horse railroad companies in the two cities may contemplate such a movement; but that they should have gone to the extent of the sum alleged by "One of the People" is in an allegad by "One of the

## BALLS LAST NIGHT.

The Purim Ball at the Acade "The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and

honor.

"And in every province, and in every city, whith-erscever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a

ersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and giadness, a feast and a good day.

"To confirm these days of Purim in their times appointed, according as Mordecai, the Jew, and Esther, the Queen, had enjoined them, and as they had decreed for themselves and for their seed.

"And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim, and it was written in the book."

And although these things, of which the days of Purim are instituted as a perpetual memorial occurred more than 2,200 years ago, the visitor of the Academy last night was vividly reminded of the occasion. On entering at the main door the brilliant inscription on the rear wall of the stage, "Merry Purim," in flaming gas jets, with the letters P U R I M eniwined in a beautifully designed monogram, also composed of gas, in the midst of the semi-circle, met the eye. The whole stage was changed into a gigantic arbor of vines, from which luscious grapes depended of a size and beauty as to almost equal the Biblical description of those which Joshua's messengers brought from the land of Cansan. Close to the background there was erected a huge cask, pretty nearly of the tworld. renowned at Heidelberg, bearing the inscription, "1869—Purim Wine," as if indicating that it was

rise of the inice of the delicious grapes surrounding it. The cask rested on a five-wheeled vehicle, by the side of which stood two men, in the ancient costume of the Hebrews in the desert, looking up to Bacchus astride the cask. This Bacchus was a queer chap, a kind of your modern inventionist, for being the king of wine and of wine drinkers, he had put or caused to be put through his manager of decorations, Mr. Maximilian, the cask on a velociped of drinkers, and the wheels, indicated of wine on it, and that your two wheeled velocipeds are of no account in that case. What the two men were intended to mean was difficult to say. Some one of the committee suggested that it designated the Arion and Liederkrans in utter astonishment at the pagan god Bacchus making friend with Hebrew Furim and appearing as it about to run away with it with velocipede speed. The true meaning, however, remained a profound secret.

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Allen, Adolph L. Sanger, Joseph A. Levy, Joseph Koch, Max Moses, Gotcho Bium, Solomow Well, Frederick Tanizer and Leopold Riess; the latter consisted of Jacob S. Isaac, chairman, Simon Schaffer, George S. Levy, Arnold Tanizer, Isaac S. Isaacs, Isidor Roscuhelin, Julias H. Solomow Mell, Frederick Tanizer and Leopold Riess; the latter consisted of Jacob S. Isaac, chairman, Simon Schaffer, George S. Levy, Arnold Tanizer, Isaac S. Isaacs, Isidor Roscuhelin, Julias H. Solomon and Leo Solomo, and Leo Solomo, and and Leo Solomo, and Leo Sol

the religious character of the ball was preserved by the presence of a number of Hebrew ciergymen in their priestly robes.

The dancing music was furnished by F. I. Eben and the promenade concert by F. Dietz, and was in every respect worthy the occasion.

Thus endoth Purim for the year 1869, in full glory, merriment and joy, to make way for the fast and purification of Peschach, or Easter.

Purim Bail of the Actual Literary and Dra

matic Association.

The Actual Literary and Dramatic Association gave a Furim ball last night at Irving Hall. King Carnival deigned to visit the gathering and to show himself and his followers upon the door. The happy monarch had made known his intention of being present to some of his loyal subjects belonging to the association, and as a consequence due preparation had been made to give him a greeting such as should be in every respect equal to the exigencies of the occasion. The wails of the hall which was to be improvised into a courtroom were not decorated with any carnivalistic devices, but the floor was crowded with characters glothed in various dresses of the brightest hees and most varied cats and styles. The abandon usual at gatherings held under the auspices of the merry monarch prevailed, and the fun was fast and furious. To enumerate all the grotesque characters would be a work of impossibility, so generally were lancy dresses worn. Mephistopheles paid his attention to a queen of the Night, the Irishman danced with the negrees, the clown with the Quakeress, and all sorts of opposities met in company in the happy dance. The music was under the charge of Wallace, and to the strains of all the more popular times the flying feet chased away the fleeting time. By midnight the floor was well filled and the fun was fast and furious, nor did the festivities flag until the programmo was exhausted and it was time to leave the hail. Messrs. Lindenborn, S. Goldsmith and J. S. Abrahamson had charge of the arrangements, and they executed their work in a very clever manner.

Bal Masque of the Ceres Frauenverein. The association of ladies descended from the race of Eather, founded for benevoient purposes and gave the seventh anniversary masquerade last evening, in commemoration of the birth of the organization and of the feast of Purim, at the Germania Assembly Rooms. The occasion was one of unaloyed mirth. The committee to whom the arrangements were entrusted, composed of Messrs. M. Zerm, M. Stackeberg, D. Frey, R. Cohn, A. Greenbaum, L. Ullmann, W. Teschner and S. Hirschmann, dressed as the court guard of Catharine of Russia, were untiring in their efforts to render the affair interesting and successful in the highest degree. On the floor of the pretty baliroom was one of the happiest crowds imaginable, clad in every style of picturesque and laughable costume. Butchers quibbled with needy kulie-grinders about the price of work and the Queen of Night vied with the Grand Duchess in an effort to captivate Brother Jonathan. Fun and frolic reigned supreme, and not until the gray lines in the east appeared did the joily party separate. banded under the title of the "Ceres Frauenverein,"

The 'up-town' fashionables who collected at the National Assembly Rooms, in West Forty-fourth street, last evening, made up one of the oddest groups in mask that has been seen in upper New York during the season. There is one advantage at least in the manuscrade as understood by such a cast in the manuscrade as understood by such a York during the season. There is one advantage at least in the masquerade as understood by such a gathering as this—that the youths cannot only play their pranks undetected, but also dwill down as much lager as one vessel can sately carry without rolling about to the inconvenience of his neighbors. The Choctaw, with his luxurant tuit of feathers, toasted to Frankfort and Hanover, while the ungaliant Romeo nonnobed with a Bowery swell, leaving his Juliet perpiexed in his long above. Handowrth and wheel-

barrows were advertised at the doors for the accommodation of guests; but the committee surely did not mean that anybody would test the capacity of his stoma h to such an extent that his pedals would oecome unequal to the task of propelling him. The walls were handsomely decorated, and here and there a grim visor gaped at the crowd below. When the promenade commenced the leader of the orchestra must have been short a ghted or he would have struck up "Walking Down Broadway," for the actisfaction of the young bloods in the foremost lines. Several members of this association must have received a sting from a locust some time or another, for the unenviable M. P.'s were unmercifully caricatured. Looking at the motiey throng in the whirliging of what was termed the "shoddyish" one could not withhold sympathy from the lovely young belle in white who, with no other disguise than the "mask of nature." swept along through junkmen and artisans, zouaves and police, and yet unraveiled the thread delightfully by emerging at last on the outer border and leaving a wide space between her and the dusky crowd she had passed through without a ray being dimmed in that bright countenance.

The masquerade ball given last evening at Busch's Hotel, Hoboken, by the Young Men's Social Club Hotel, Hoboken, by the Young Men's Social Club, was a most successful effort. The hall was crowded almost to inconvenience. The costumes were not only numerous in their variety, but many of them were original. One of the most conspicuous was the veritable tunic with stripes and founces that has made thousands familiar with the character of Hunquy Dumpty. During the night a poem was read embracing a few topics of ephemeral interest and weighing in the balance the leading journals of New York city. The reading of this production was received with applicate and seemed to take the company by surprise. Several prominent citizens of Hoboken and nearly all the city officials were present. The night was spent most agreeably, the fun being at its height at the hour when people ordinarily grow heavy and incline to retirement.

### A TRIPLE MURDER NEAR MEMPHIS.

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[From the Memphis Post, Feb. 20.]

Grea texcitement has prevalled on the streets this forenoon in consequence of a vague story of three most horrible murders which occurred last night, about twelve miles from this city, at what is known as the "Old Dickins place," two miles from Cuba, in this county. The report was brought to the police author-ties by a special messenger, despatched from the scene of the atrocious and appalling outrage. The particulars of the affair, as we learn them from the Sheriif and the police, are as follows:—As the namily of Dr. Thomas Dickins were at supper last night several armed unknown men, upon norses, rode up to the house and fired their guns included the windows, killing Dr. Dickins and Mr. Green Wilson, and a colored servant named Mary, and then dashed off to parts unknown. Dr. Dickins was hit in the arm and head. All the victims died soon after they were shot. The remainder of the family were paralyzed with a deathlike horror and fear at this mysterious and unexpected visitation of death, and did not recover their consciousness in time to see or follow the assassins. The news was at length spread among the neighbors, who spent the night in scouring the country and watching the roads to capture the demons. Their efforts were unsuccessful, and a courier was sent to secure the assassina or of the Sheriff and his posse, and also the police force of the city, who are now investigating the affair. Who the assassins are is not known, but the friends of Dr. Dickins are said to believe that they are a party led or employed by his opponents in a lawsuit, which is now pending in the Chancery Court. Dr. Dickins is the same party who became involved in a shooting affray with a brother-in-law named Captain E. C. Pattison, in the Chancery Court room, several weeks since.

# SHIPPING NEWS.

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Hailfas	N	Snowing	28 above
New York	W	Clear	28 above
Wilmington, Del	W	Clear	30 above
Fortress Monroe	NB	Clear	40 above
Charleston	NE	Cloudy	45 above
Mobile	8E	Cloudy	44 above
New Orleans		Clear	72 above
Havana	125	Clear	79 above

## PORT OF NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 25, 1869.

Heraid Packages.

Captains and Pursers of Vessels arriving at this port will please deliver all packages intended for the Herail to our regularly authorised agents who are attached to our Steam Yacht fleet. The New York Associated Press do not now collect marins reports nor attend to the delivery of packages, as will be seen by the following attract from the proceedings of the regular monthly meeting, held March 8, 1898:—
Resolved, That on and after April 1, 1898; the Associated Press will discontinue the collection of ship news in the harbor of New York. Pessed unanimously,

ST The office of the Heraid steam yachts JAMES and JEAMESTER is at Whitehali slip. All communications from owners and consignees to the masters of inward bound vessels will be forwarded free of charge.

Steamship Bremen (NG), Leist, Bremen via Southampton—Osirichs & Co.
Steamship Morro Castle, Adams, Havana and Nassau—Atlantic Mail Steamship Co.
Steamship Gen Barnes, Morton, Savannah—Livingston, For & Co.
Steamship Saratoga, Barter, Charleston—A Leary.
Steamship Saratoga, Alexander, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond—B L McCready.

Steamship Obeanceake, Bragg, Portland—J F Ames.
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Ship Saminole, Holmes, San Francisco—Sutton & Co.
Ship Naudius, Hagar, London—C L Wright & Co.
Bark Cupdo (NG), Dancerman, Penerth Roads for ord

Eliza Thomson, Dill. Ponce, PR-L W & P Arm

ble & Son.

Hattle Ross. Ulrich, Cardenas Miller & Houghton.

Max Munroe, Muuroe, Key West—C H Mallory & Co.

M B Bramhall, Stout, Savannah—N L McCready &

homa. Schr Ben O'iver, Oliver, Norfolk—C E Staples. Schr J L Adkins, Rew. Accomme, Va. Schr A C Lyon, Lyon, Baltimore—Baker & Dayton. Schr Carodne Hall, Vickars, Philadelphis—N B Vonder. Schr Little Charley, Reeves, New Haven-G K Rackett &

ARRIVALS.

REPORTED BY THE HERALD STEAM YACHTS.

Steamship Ville de Paris (Fr. Surmont, Havre, and Brest
Feb 13, 6 PM, with mide and 55 passengers, to G. Mackenzie.
From the 12th to the 25th had continual heavy guies from the
westward, and from the 25d to the 25th alternate fogs and
heavy weather; Feb 14, 114 48 25, 100, 12 23, exchanged signal
with a British ship, bornd W; 24th, 3 PM, 259 miles east of
Sandy Hook, passed an Isman steamer (supposed the Etna),
Steamship Zodies, Wolfer. sandy noor, pieces an idease as the second of Liverpool.
Steamsing Zodiac, Nickerson, Port an Prince, via Gonieves reb IT, with collee and logwood to Robert Murray,
IF. Experienced heavy NW gales.
Steamsing passe field, Bourne, Richmond, City Point and
Sorfolk, with moise and passengers, to the Old Dominion
Resembling. ip Co. snip Glaucus, Walden, Boston, with mose, to Wm P aya oni.
Ship Calcutta (of Portsmouth, NH), Shillaber, Calcutta
Nov 17, and Sand Heads 19th, with miles, to master. Crossed
the equator in the Indian Ocean Dec 4 is 10 on \$4.30 E, passed
Cape of Good Hope Jan 6, Fernando Noroha 30th, crossed
the equator in the Atlantic Feb 1 in 10n 35.30 W; no date, lat
90 6 N; nor 4 W, asw brig C T Tompkina, steering SW. Had
tine weather the entire passage.

Bark Vittoria Rubinasu (Ital), Castellano, Naples, 78 days,
with fruit, to Lawrence, Glies & Co. Had moderate weather,
Hark Minnie Campbell, Burns, Leghorn Nov 25, with max-

weather.

Bark Jormus (of Pembrokes, Pettingall, Marsellies, 6) days, with indee, to E Caylus, De Ruyter & Co. Had light winds and thick fog the last 5 days.

Bark James Weish (Er), Bates, Matanzas, 10 days, with sugar, to F Alexander & Son. Had line weather the whole Brig J McIntyre of Boston, Haskell, Chentuegos, 19 days, the sugar, to master.
Brig Diadon (Br), Farquher, Guantanamo, 17 days, with gar, to Mose Taylor. Had heavy weather.
Brig Mary Stewart tof Bangort, Adams, Maianzaa, 10 days, its molasses, to order. Had heaves weather.
Brig Sectiond (of Boston), Rose, Matanzas, 9 days, with olasses, to order.

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Thos S Rogers, Young, Georges Banks, with halibut, of H.C. Rogers.
Schr Christ P. Rich, Rich, Provincetown,
Sehr Garrier P. Rich, Rich, Provincetown for Virginia.
Relat F. H. Barnes, Avery, New Haven in Related Wm A Morrett, Burger, Sew Haven,
Schr Speciweit, Hamilton, New Haven or Virginia.
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Marine Disasters.

STEAMSHIF MARY SANFORD succeeded in getting off the rip below Wilmington morning of Edd, before daylight.

SHIP SCRIPHIRE, Ranlett, from Foochow for New York, before reported ashore near Hong Rong, went ashors Jan 8, but was got off on the 10th with loss of mixenmast and main topmast. The hull was not injured.

SHIP KOOMAR (Br.), from Liverpool for New York, was reshipping her cargo at Bermuda on the 20th, and further procedure in regard to the vessel uncertain.

BANK AN FRANKLINH, Holbrook, from Messins for Philadelphia, is aground off Fort Delawars. A steaming and lighter have been drayacheds from Philadelphia to her assistance, and she will probably come off to-day without damage. BRIG CAMMINA (Hal), from Girgenti for New York, which put into Bermuda on the 17th inst leaking badly, would discharge and go on the marine slip for repairs.

BRIG OMARA, Toothaker, at Key West in distress, in entering that port was run into by steamer Dudley Buck and stove her stern boat, carried away davins, and otherwise in jured the brig.

store her stern boat, carried away daviss, and omerwise injured the brig.

A BRIG, name unknown, was passed ashore on Orange
Keys 8th finst by the schr David Wassen, from New York, at
Sagua 9th.

SOHR LAURA A DODD, from Bay of Islands, remained at
Bermads 8th inst repairing, and would be detained until salvage claims are settled.

SOHR CHRAILE CORB (of Rockland, Me), Kennedy, from
New York for Virginia, \$4th inst, at 1:30 PM, when off Equan,
was struct by a sudden equal from WSW and caparised. The
crew were taken off by sohr Hattle Hamlin, from New York
bound S, and transferred on board the steamer Yankee, Cap
Marshall, who took the C C in tow at 2:30 PM same day, and
with the assistance of the steamers Philip, Lackswanna and
Rescue succeeled in getting her into Gravesend Bay on the
2th, at 6:30 AM. She was righted and pumped out, and
towed up to Red Hook yesterday PM.

SCHR NORWESTER, Foster, from New York for Baracca,
touched at Inagua 18th inst, and reports having lost foresal
when 4 days out.

BCHR OLIVE BRANCH, from Smithtown, which went ashore

when 4 days out.

Schiff Chive Errance, from Smithtown, which went ashore at the Gridfron, Hell Gate, was got off AM of 94th inst by the wrecking steamer John Fuller and towed to this city.

Schiff Walt-fer Smith, Langaga, from New Orleans 5th inst for Analachicola and 5th Marks, Fis. was run into and control of the state of the westward of 8th Joseph Chive Children and State of the Smith Smith Children and State of the Right Smith Sm

Miscellaneous.

Purser Oscar Crocheron, of the steamship Columbia, from Havana, has our thanks for his attentions.

Quick CLIPPER PARSAGES—The clipper ship Ericason (formerly steamer) has just arrived at Liverpool from San Francisco, having made three consecutive passages that are said to be the quickeat on record—her passages from New York to Liverpool in 17 days, thence to San Francisco in 109 days, and book again to Liverpool in 103 days—the sailing time of the three entire passages being only 7 months and 18 days. She is now ordered to New York, and will be employed in the San Francisco trade.

BARK CROWNINSHIELL of Boston, 270 tons, new measurement, has been purchased by Messes Terry & Chase, of Fairhaven, and she will be fitted for the Atlantic sperm whals fashery.

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Bark Keystone, Whidden, from Liverpool for Chittagong Dec 2, lat 30 S, ion 25 W.

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Poreign Ports.

ANJIER, Dec 15—Passad by, ship Arabia, Hinkley, from Bangkok for England.

ARROYO, PR, Feb 10—In port brig Maggie, Miskelly, from Baltimore, arrived Jan 28, wig cargo.

BOMBAY, Jan 16—In port ships Fride of the Port, Jordan, for Liverpool, Idg; Atmosphere, Oram, and Templar, Rogers, for do; Ne Plus Ultra, Plummer, for Callao; China, Weeka, and C O Whitmore, Humphery, for friee ports; SI James (BT, Hattield, for do; Castine, Lynch, unc; barks Dutveland, Graves, for Boston, Idg; Home, Moses, unc.

BUENOS AYRES, Jan 10—In port ships Koomar. Griffin, from Liverpool for Nork; Island Home (Br), Liswell, from Grimsby for Philadelphia, swaking high tides to get afloat; Contecliation, Eves, from Liverpool for Nork, reshipping cargo; barks Mary Baker (Br), Hilton, from Shelids for Nyork, under survey: brigs Cammine (Ital), Nicolo, from Girgenti for Nyork, in distress; Wm Creevy, Haley, for Myork, with part of Kooma Hanting; for Nyork, late, Julia Relie (Br), Purty, for Nyork, Idg; part of Contecliation, Excelsion (Br), Mayer, from Nyork, just arrived; Matron, Haller, unc; schrs Laura A Dodd, Laue, from Bay of Islands, repg; Arrow Br, McDonald, from Halifax for New York, to sall same day.

CARDENAS, Feo 18—Arrived, schr Lens Hume (Br), Appleby, St John, MB.

Also arrived 18th, brig Samuel Lindeey, Wilson, Philadelphia; schr Harriet Baker, Webber, Portland; 18th, brig Alice Misr, Lane, Bernunds; sehr David Miller, MeGee, Nyork, Misn, Mark, Lane, Bernunds; sehr David Miller, MeGee, Nyork. CARDENAS, Feb 18—Arrived, schr Lena Hume (Br), Appleby, St John, MB.

Also arrived 12th, brig Samuel Lindsey, Wilson, Philadelphia; schr Harriet Baker, Webber, Portland; 15th, brig Alice
M.Br., Lane, Bermuda; schr David Miller, McGee, NYork.

Sailed 17th, brigs Anna Mitcheil (Br), Scott, a port north of
Hatteras; Manson, Gilkey, do do; schrs Louisa D Wagner,
do do; W B Thomas, Winsmore, Philadelphia; 18th, barriet,
Andes, Shepherd, a port north of Hatteras; brig Hattle S
Blabop, Webber, do do.

Also sailed 12th, schrs Donna Anna, Chase, and W K Chapman, Edgett, a port north of Hatteras; 15th, brig Ocean Star
(Br), Carroll, do do.

In port 17th, bark Evening Star (Br), Miller, for NYork;
brigs Mary A Davis, Lewis, and B F Mash, Lancy, for do;
lasbel (Br), Murray: Faustina, Patterson; Eureka (Br), Dinamore, and Hyperion, Woodbury, for do; Chas Albert (Br),
Hardy, and Roblin (Br), Duglass, for a port north of Hatteras;
chrs 7 S McLeilan, Farr, for do do; Elizabeth McGes,
for Chap and Dones, Griffin, for do do; and others.

Olexagor, Feb 10—Arrived, bark Jose Mildred, Ginn,
Fanscola.

Sailed 10th, schr W H Terrs. Hoffman, Philadelphie.

Salied lith, schr W H Tirer, Hoffman, Philadelphias.
HAVER, Feb 10—Arrived, Marraganesti, Hamlen, Savannah.
The bark Jennie Ellingwood, Marshall, for Boston, remained bulow lith, provably detained by aliverse winds.
HAVANA, Feb 11—Arrived, brigs E H Kennedy, Geyer.
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Inited States: schr Sre May, Richards, St John, H; Vesta, Waita, Sierra Morean; 18th, Isaac Oliver, Pannell, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Lady Monock (Br), Barrow, New Orleans.
Salied lith, bark Clara (Sr., McConnell, Nork; brig lds M Connery, Release, New York; Malham, Wade, Boston via Sagua; schr Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Lady Mosspearing, Clark, Nyork; Waltham, Wade, Boston via Sagua; schr Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig all scheme, Mrork; 18th, bark Geo S Hunt, Wood, do.
Cleared lith, bry Alias, Mitchell, Nork; 18th, bark Geo; Silver, Nork; Malham, Wade, Boston via Sagua; schr Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Alias, Mitchell, Nork; 18th, bark Geo; Silver, Nork; Malham, Wade, Boston via Sagua; schr Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Alias, Mitchell, Nork; 18th, bark Geo; Silver, Nork; Malham, Wade, Boston via Sagua; schr Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Alias, Mitchell, Nork; 18th, brig Alias (Br., Granter, Gr., Vesta, Waite, Philadelphia; 18th, brig Alias, Mitchell, Tubal Cain, Joring, and Galveston, Merriman, Jor Nyork; Golimor Mercellih, Arge, for Botton; Sark, Saled, Nyork; Ralph Souder (Br., Creaby, for do (2006 boxes sugar at \$21 (0); H 18th, Brig Roman, Arrived Sth, to and Sth, For Botton; and others, and Mary E Pennell, Representation, and Galveston, Merriman, Jor Nyork; Ralph Souder (Br., Creaby, for control, Strate, Gr., Creaby, Gr., Control, Strate, Gr., Control, Strate, Gr., Creaby, Gr., Control, Strate, Gr., Control, Control, Control, Control, Control, Control, Control,

Montego Ray. 18—Arrived, schr Nor' Wester, Foster, NYork (and salied for Baracoa).

In port 13th, brig Romance, Dunccan, from Navassa for Baitmore, log cargo of condemned brig Fannse.

MONTEVIDEO, Jan 12—Salied (not in port 13th), brig John Wester, Ford, NYork.

MATANZAS, Feb 18—Arrived, brig Mariposa. Leighton,

Wester, Ford, NYOrk.

MATANARS, Feb 18—Arrived, brig Mariposa. Leighton, NYOrk.

Also arrived 12th, sehr Abbie Dunn, Fountain, Havana; 16th, brig Harriet Amelia, Higgins, Boaton; schrs A Denike, Jones, Savannah; Jas A Farsons, Phaladelphia.

Salied 17th, bark R W Griffiths (Br., Drummond, NYOrk; brigs Cairo (Br.), do: Deopes (Sch., Akkneon, Baltimore; Mariet Carve, Br., Britte, Berlin, Berlin, Berlin, Brigs, Cairo, Britte, Berlin, Brigs, Cairo, Britte, Berlin, Brigs, Cairo, Brigs, Cardenas.

In port 18th, barks T Fope, Wesber, for Falmouth, E., Acacia, Robinson, and Friendes (Br., Hol, for Baltimore; Jacob, Hatledd, Carlon, for a port north of Hattera; Lorena, Helborn, For Bottelphia; Mary C Fox, Ross, and Sagaiahoc, Carlon, for a port north of Hattera; Lorena, Helborn, For Baltimore; Alice, Knight, Ser, Cardon, Brigs, Holley, Farker, and Galatea (Br.), McKennie, for a port north of Hatteras; Lorena, Helborn, For Botton, Hunter, York, for New Gress, and Sagaiahoc, Carlon, for a port north of Hatteras; Lorena, Helborn, For Baltimore; Alice, Knight, Sor (Gress, Ross, and Sagaiahoc, Carlon, Brigs, Helley, Janes, Markey, Helborn, Janes, PORT TALBOT, Feb 10—In port bark B Murray, Jr. WilFORT AU PHINOR, Feb 14—In port bark B Murray, Jr. WilFORT AU PHINOR, Feb 14—In port bark B Murray, Jr. Wilson, from Nork, arrived 6th, ding; brige Helen (Br), Doane,
from Mo, arrived 6th, for Boston, log; Marguerte, Hay;
Bonholm, from Nork, arrived 6th, for do, log; schrs Fawn,
Br., Laue, from do, arrived 7th, log; Alpas, Mauson, from
St Thomas, arrived Jan 25, for Boston, log.
Salied Jan 28, prof. Boston, log.
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ROUGH BRIMMER, Jan
Ballmort, Mg.
BRYRINA, Jan 20—No vessel in port bound to the United
States.

Cleared 20th, hrip O C Clary, Gould, Boston.

ST NAZAIRE, Fee 7—Put in to stop a leak, Visir, Omnes, from Bordeaux for San Francisco. (The above was mispisced esterday under St Helena.)

Arrived at do 9th, Shatenuc, Soule, Callac; Joseph Clark, rer, do.,

Languag, Dec 27 — Saired, bark Dartmouth (Br), Eisden,

rk; Jan I, ship Etha Rickmers (Br), Davidson, do.,

rk; Jan A, Feb 4 — Arrived previous, brigs Unicorn (Br),

k and Aristos (Br), Feak, Boston; schr & L Hathaway,

k and Aristos (Br), Feak, Cook, and Aristos (Br), Fear, Boston; seer R D. Hamaron, Cole, do.

By Domingo City, Feb 6—In port sebr Emeline (Br), Mazwell, from and for Boston, to sail in 15 days.

HAGUA, Feb 3—Arrived, sebr David Wasson, Jones, New York.

TEINIDAD, Feb 14—Arrived, brig Emily Fisher, Clark, Philadelphia.

TURKS BLANNS, Feb 1—Arrived, sebr Jennie, McCahan, Baitimore (to sail shi for San Andreas).

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cleared Steamship McCleitan, Howes, Raltimore via Nor-felt; sinc D W Chennan, Milet, New Orleans; suhra M M

chrs Mary S Lunt, Brown, Boston; Mar ork.
leared 18th, bark Palace, Borgfield, Liverpool.
alled 18th, brig Forest State, Shute, Penascola; schr W P
hing, Cook, Work.
OLMES HOLE, Peb 23, PM—Arrived, achr Frank Hert, Orowell, Boaton for Baltimore.
th, AM—No arrivals.
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th. Arvived, bark Annie M Gray, Ginn, Marseilles for

Stin-Arrived, bark Annie M Grsy, Ginn, Marsellies for Boston (and salled).

MOBILE, Feb 20 — Cleared, ship Altear (Br), Hamilton, Liverpool; schr Mary E Femerick, Dorman, Havana. NEW ORLEANS, Feb 20 — Cleared, steamslips Gories, Nelson: Victor, Gates, and Gen Meede, Sampson, New York Benrille, Baker, do via Havana; Cuta, Dukehart, Baltimora via Havana and Key West; ships Arran (Br), Lawson, and Virginia (Br), Campbell, Liverpool; bark Franklin (Norw), Hassel, do.

MORFOLK, Feb 22 — Arrived, schra Eurolas, Asay; Garrett H Wright, Gropper, and J C Craig, Maxwell, NYork.

256 — Arrived, ship Scotswood Gr., Yeatman, Charleston 2, schra James Butler, Smith, and Evs S Leonard, Bunker, New York.

Johnson.
Salled—Brig Alice M Putnam, Atwood, Maianzas; schrs J
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Spencer, Kmith, Philadelphia; Orescent Lodge, Haich, New
York.
SAVANNAH, Feb 25—Arrived, schr Donna Anna, Chase, BAVANNAH, Feb 25—Arrived, schr Donng Anna, Unase, Cardenas.
Cleared.—Steamship Herman Livingston, Cheesman, Nerk-Fork: Br ships Mary Durkee, and Lady Havelock, Liverpoot; bark Lamplighter, NYork.
SALEM, Feb 24—Salled, schrs D B Newcomb, Higgins, Tangier; Ada Amea.
WILMINGTON, NO. Feb 25—Arrived, schrs M H Stockham, Cordery; Thos Boox, Somers; B R Kirk, Burnett, and F L Lockwood, St John, NYOrk.
WOODS' HOLE, Feb 24—Salled, schr Mary D Haskell, Barbour, Boston for Charleston.

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